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NEUES DEUTSCHLAND COMMENTS ON WEST BLOCKING VIENNA TALKS

AU181025Y East Berlin NEUES DEUTSCHLAND in German 17 Oct 78 p 6 AU

[Commentary by "C.D.": "Who Is Blocking Possible Progress at the Vienna Negotiations"]

[Text] At the Vienna Hofburg, another plenary session of the participants in the negotiations on a mutual reduction of armed forces and arms in central Europe took place again last week. More than 4 months after the socialist states submitted far-reaching compromise proposals, quite a few political observers and journalists in Vienna expected the Western side now finally to come up with an answer at long last. But none of these expectations came about. Certainly, the FRG chief delegate took the floor during the session, but his speech neither contained such an answer nor did it permit the conclusion that such an answer is being prepared.

This causes growing astonishment in Vienna, and not only in Vienna, all the more so since leading representatives of imperialist states even recently gave assurances of their alleged readiness of wanting to contribute to the continuation of the process of detente, and verbally acknowledged that to this end measures for military detente are necessary as well. In some Western capitals it was even said that one wanted to give the Vienna negotiations "A fresh impetus."

However, at the conference table in the Danube metropolis, nothing of this sort is discernible. On the contrary, instead of using the new possibilities provided by the proposals of the socialist participating states of 8 June for progress in the negotiations, the Western representatives are raising one absurd demand after another. They again dish out the old lie of an alleged threat to the West by the Warsaw Pact states. Again and again they reiterate--contrary to the facts backed by exact figures that prove the existence of an approximate military equilibrium of forces in central Europe--the assertion of an alleged numerical superiority of the socialist armed forces. And ultimately, they derive from this the unrealistic demand that the socialist countries, especially the USSR, should unilaterally reduce their armed forces several times more than the West.

All this sufficiently proves who is blocking progress in Vienna. The fact that the West European participants, including the FRG, are still not even prepared to state to what extent they intend to reduce their armed forces, and that they even insist on enabling some of them, the FRG for example, to increase their armed forces beyond their present size, in the framework of "collective ceilings"--this, too, only permits the conclusion that influential circles in the West obviously do not want disarmament but rearmament.

Fine words are useless. What counts is deeds. The NATO states still owe proof of their readiness for understanding.

ZHIVKOV PRAISES SYRIA AT DINNER FOR FRIENDSHIP DELEGATION

JN1811l0Y Damascus SANA in Arabic 0850 GMT 18 Oct 78 JN

[Text] Sofia, 18 October--Chairman of the Bulgarian State Council Todor Zhivkov has asserted that Syria, under struggler President Hafiz al-Asad, is leading the Arab Steadfastness Front against the vicious imperialist onslaught.

In a speech Zhivkov made at a dinner given in honor of Comrade Dr Rif'at al-Asad [chairman of Syrian-Bulgarian Friendship Society], and the accompanying delegation, he asserted that Syria will not be left alone in this battle but will receive assistance and practical support from the Soviet Union, the socialist countries and from all the progressive and honest people in the world. The banquet was attended by the Bulgarian foreign minister, several members of the Bulgarian CP Central Committee Politburo and the ministers.

Chairman Zhivkov said: Please convey my esteem, respect and appreciation to Syrian President Hafiz al-Asad and the Syrian people. He stressed that Bulgaria supports Syria today just as it has in the past. Bulgaria will continue to support Syria because it is waging the same battle against the common enemy--imperialism and Zionism.

Chairman Zhivkov added that the just battle waged by the Arab people under President al-Asad to liberate the occupied Arab territories and to guarantee the rights of the Palestinian people calls for the support and backing of all strugglers. You must triumph in this battle because it represents justice, right and dignity, he added.

In conclusion, Chairman Zhivkov called for developing and strengthening relations and joint cooperation between the two friendly countries and parties.

In a reply speech, Dr Rif'at al-Asad thanked Chairman Zhivkov for his sincere feelings and for Bulgaria's support to the struggle of the Arab people.

Comrade Dr Rif'at al-Asad explained Syria's stand on the current events on the Arab arena. He emphasized the confidence of the Arab people in their command because this command represents steadfastness, struggle and sacrifice. He asserted that the Arab people have faith in victory, relying on the masses and their free will as well as on their friends, foremost of which are the Soviet Union and the socialist countries.

Comrade Dr Rif'at al-Asad stressed the desire of the Ba'th Party and the Syrian people to deepen the militant relations between Syria and Bulgaria and to promote these relations in the various political, economic, cultural and scientific domains.

In conclusion, Dr Rif'at al-Asad thanked Comrade Zhivkov for the hospitality accorded the friendship delegation.

TODOROV RECEIVES IRAQI INTERIOR MINISTER 18 OCTOBER

AU1820010Y Sofia BTA in English 1834 GMT 18 Oct 78 AU

[Text] Sofia, 18 Oct, BTA--Today, Mr Stanko Todorov, chairman of the Ministerial Council, received Mr 'Izzat Ibrahim ad-Duri, member of the Revolutionary Command Council, member of the regional leadership of the Socialist Arab Ba'th Party, chairman of the Supreme Agricultural Council and minister of the interior of Iraq.

The meeting, which proceeded in a friendly atmosphere, was attended by Mr Tano Tsolov, member of Politburo of the CC of the BCP and first deputy chairman of the Ministerial Council. Questions of the further expanding and deepening of economic relations between Bulgaria and Iraq were discussed during the talks.

VIETNAMESE VICE PRESIDENT MEETS WITH TODOROV, OTHERS

AU181958Y Sofia BTA in English 1837 GMT 18 Oct 78 AU

[Text] Sofia, 18 Oct, BTA--Mr Stanko Todorov, chairman of the Bulgarian Government, received Mr Nguyen Huu Tho, vice president of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam, who is on an unofficial friendly visit to this country.

Today, the vice-president of the S.R. Vietnam, Mr Nguyen Huu Tho, had talks with the deputy chairman of the State Council of the People's Republic of Bulgaria, Mr Mitko Grigorov.

The Vietnamese guests informed about the course of socialist construction in their country and about the basic guidelines of the foreign policy of the S.R. Vietnam. Special stress was laid at the talks on the situation in South-East Asia, where the ruling circles in Peking, making use of their Kampuchean assistants, have been waging a war of aggression against the Vietnamese people for over three years. Mr Nguyen Huu Tho voiced the determination of the S.R. Vietnam to defend her independence, freedom, sovereignty and territorial integrity, respecting these conditions for the other countries as well.

At the talks, which proceeded in a cordial and friendly atmosphere, the solidarity of the Bulgarian people with the struggle of the Vietnamese people, as well as the full moral and material support to the realistic proposals by the S.R. Vietnam to remove tension from that part of the world, were reaffirmed. The Vietnamese guests were made familiar with some of the major tasks the Bulgarian people are solving now in building up a developed socialist society.

TODOROV RECEIVES TURKISH SPORTS MINISTER, DELEGATION

AU182004Y Sofia BTA in English 1846 GMT 18 Oct 78 AU

[Text] Sofia, 18 Oct, BTA--Mr Stanko Todorov, chairman of the Ministerial Council, received the Turkish delegation visiting this country headed by the minister of youth and sport, Mr Yuksel Cakmur. The development of cooperation between the two countries in the field of sport was discussed at the meeting.

The Turkish delegation arrived today at the invitation of the chairman of the Central Council of the Bulgarian Union for Physical Culture and Sports, Mr Trendafil Martinski. The guests will be made familiar with the development of sports in Bulgaria and will discuss matters of bilateral sport cooperation with the hosts.

BTA REVIEWS BULGARIAN-ANGOLAN FRIENDSHIP, COOPERATION

AU190930Y Sofia BTA in English 0826 GMT 19 Oct 78 AU

[Text] Sofia, 19 Oct, BTA--Bulgaria and Angola develop relations of friendship and all-round fruitful cooperation.

The two countries established diplomatic relations immediately after proclaiming Angola's independence, but the ties of friendship and solidarity between the Bulgarian and Angolan peoples, between the BCP and the MPLA, were established already at the time of the liberation struggle of the Angolan patriots, under the MPLA leadership, against the forces of colonialism, neocolonialism, internal and external reaction.

The specific guidelines of development of Bulgaro-Angolan relations were outlined during the visit of Mr Agostinho Neto in 1976 in Bulgaria.

The two sides have signed a declaration on developing relations of friendship and cooperation. A cooperation agreement between the BCP and MPLA has also been signed.

There exist good possibilities for the development of bilateral relations. As very promising are considered the following fields: agriculture, the food industry, trade, science and technology and cooperation in the training and exchange of management cadres and specialists.

About 500 Bulgarian specialists are working in Angola now.

Last year's trade reached 31,121,000 foreign currency levs.

So far Bulgaria and Angola have signed cooperation agreements in the field of trade, the economy, agriculture, the food industry and education.

The joint committee on economic and technoscientific cooperation founded has already had two sittings.

A regular airline has linked the two countries since the beginning of this year, which is serviced by airplanes of the Bulgarian civil aviation.

ZHIVKOV SENDS CONGRATULATORY TELEGRAM TO NEW POPE

AU181953Y Sofia BTA in English 1842 GMT 18 Oct 78 AU

[Text] Sofia, 18 Oct, BTA--Mr Todor Zhivkov, State Council president, has sent a telegram of greetings to John Paul II on the occasion of the latter's election as head of the Catholic Church. The telegram conveys sincere congratulations and best wishes for every success in his responsible duty in the name of peace, cooperation and understanding in Europe and the world.

TRADE, ECONOMIC COOPERATION AGREEMENT SIGNED WITH BELGIUM

AU181516Y Sofia BTA in English 1450 GMT 18 Oct 78 AU

[Text] Sofia, 18 Oct, BTA--A general agreement on economic, industrial and trade cooperation was signed here today by the "Sibetra S.A." Belgian foreign trade grouping and Bulgarian foreign trade companies and corporations. The document provides for construction of industrial projects in Bulgaria, joint prospecting, design, study and exploitation of industrial projects in third countries, purchase of equipment and machinery and exchange of services.

Exchange of know-how, technological help of joint working out of offers for the third countries is also planned. The agreement regulates cooperation in trade and services, the delivery of complete installations, training of specialists, scientific and technological cooperation and exchange of technological news. Establishment of joint companies in third countries is also planned.

Very good prospects have been outlined for industrial joint production in heavy engineering, the cement industry, the food industry and the joint engineering activities.

According to representatives of the business circles of the two sides, the agreement expresses the goodwill and readiness of Bulgaria and Belgium to develop trade and economic cooperation on a wide scale. This is a fresh example of the fruitful and reciprocally profitable realization of the existing possibilities for deepening the economic dialogue between Bulgaria and Belgium.

ECONOMIC TALKS WITH PAKISTAN BEGIN IN SOFIA

AU1611301 Sofia Domestic Service in Bulgarian 1030 GMT 16 Oct 78 AU

[Text] A Pakistani Government trade and economic delegation, headed by state secretary for trade, Izarul Haq is visiting our country. Official talks opened today with a Bulgarian delegation headed by Georgi Vutov, deputy minister of foreign trade. For 1978, the exchange of goods between the two countries is expected to increase by approximately 12 percent. The two delegations will discuss opportunities for the further expansion of economic relations. Questions pertaining to the acceleration of the construction of complex projects in Pakistan will also be discussed.

More on Talks

AU1616591 Sofia BTA in English 1350 GMT 16 Oct 78 AU

[Text] Sofia, 16 Oct, BTA--An increase of about 12 percent is expected in this year's Bulgaro-Pakistani trade as compared to last year. The trade of the two countries has reached a considerable volume in recent years. Trade and economic relations between Bulgaria and Pakistan are intensive. New forms of economic co-operation are sought out and further developed. Industrial joint production and delivery of complete projects stand out as the most promising.

The competent bodies and the interested circles in Bulgaria and Pakistan maintain that there are favourable conditions for expansion of their economic dialogue. This is the target of the official talks which began here today between the trade and economic delegations of the two countries. The Pakistani delegation is led by Mr Izarul Haq, state secretary for trade.

The possibilities for expanding trade exchange and issues pertaining to stepping up the construction of complete projects in Pakistan are being discussed. A document on the 1978-1979 period is expected to be signed.

A plant for processing of hides, a farina and glucose works and cold storage facilities are under construction in Pakistan now. A bigger Bulgarian industrial exhibition was organized in 1977 in Karachi. The two countries' business circles had the opportunity of becoming familiar with the production and export and the marketing demands and possibilities of each other.

A trade agreement and an agreement on economic, scientific and technological cooperation are operative between the two countries, which provide for Bulgarian credits to Pakistan for delivery of complete plant. [Words indistinct] plant and products of the mechanical engineering, electrical engineering, metal-processing and instrument-making industries. Pakistan exports to this country raw materials and semi-processed goods, textiles, cotton and hides.

TRADE UNION COOPERATION PLAN SIGNED WITH JAPAN

AU1416O1Y Sofia BTA in English 1440 GMT 14 Oct 78 AU

[Text] Sofia, 14 Oct, BTA--Mr Georgi Borgov, secretary of the Central Council of the Bulgarian Trade Unions, and Mr Tatsushiro Uchiyama, deputy director general of SOHYO (General Council of the Trade Unions of Japan), signed here today a cooperation plan between the two organizations for the 1979-1980 period.

"Very good relations exist between the Bulgarian trade unions and SOHYO. The favourable development of the interstate relations between Bulgaria and Japan contribute to their further expansion and deepening. These relations received a strong impetus after the visit of Mr Todor Zhivkov, chairman of the State Council of Bulgaria, to our country. The document signed today, which will influence the workers' unity on a world scale, is a proof of the will to consolidate TU contacts", said Mr Tatsuchiro Uchiyama before a BTA bilateral acquaintance, with the TU tasks and schools of the Bulgarian trade unions and Sohyo, organization of seminars on various problems of the workers' movement, development of workers' tourism. The Japanese TU organization will study the work of the working women's commissions in Bulgaria.

Both in the signed document and in the communique on the visit of the Japanese delegation, the two TU centres accentuated on the necessity of stepping up direct cooperation between the local TU organizations of the two countries.

ROMANIAN DELEGATION ARRIVES FOR TALKS ON SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY

AU190905Y Sofia Domestic Service in Bulgarian 0830 GMT 19 Oct 78 AU

[Text] Academician Ioan Ursu, chairman of the National Council of Science and Technology of the Socialist Republic of Romania, has arrived in Bulgaria.

At Sofia Airport, he was welcomed by Nacho Papazov, BCP Central Committee Secretariat member and chairman of the State Committee for Science and Technical Progress. The Bulgarian-Romanian delegations will have talks and review the state of scientific-technical cooperation between the two countries and will also outline the prospects for its future development.

BRIEFS

HONORS FOR DPRK AMBASSADOR--Peko Takov, deputy chairman of the State Council, today presented the Madara Horseman First-Degree Order to Yi Chong-hwan, DPRK ambassador to Bulgaria, who was honored with high distinction for his services in developing Bulgarian-Korean relations and in connection with his final departure from the country. [Text] [Sofia Domestic Service in Bulgarian 2030 GMT 13 Oct 78 AU]

COOPERATION WITH WHO--Sofia, 14 Oct, BTA--The sitting of the international working group on issues of psychiatric disability ended in Varna. Prominent experts from the USSR, Britain, Belgium, Holland, Yugoslavia and other countries discussed the progress of the international research into "gauging and prophylaxis of disability from schizophrenia". Possibilities for cooperation of the Bulgarian health bodies with the World Health Organization (WHO) on some other problems of psychiatry neurology are being discussed now. [Sofia BTA in English 0828 GMT 14 Oct 78 AU]

HUSAK CONGRATULATES NEW POPE ON ELECTION

LD181930Y Prague CTK in English 1828 GMT 18 Oct 78 LD

[Text] Prague, 18 Oct, CETEKA--Czechoslovak President Gustav Husak sent today a telegram to Pope John Paul II, congratulating him on his election.

REPORTAGE ON BURMESE FOREIGN MINISTER'S VISIT

Arrives, Meets Chnoupek

LD181555Y Prague Domestic Service in Czech 1030 GMT 18 Oct 78 LD

[Text] Foreign Minister of the Socialist Republic of the Union of Burma Brig Gen Mying Maung arrived in Czechoslovakia today for an official visit. He was welcomed at Ruzyne Airport by Foreign Minister Bohuslav Chnoupek and other personages.

Speaks at Luncheon

LD181716Y Prague CTK in English 1600 GMT 18 Oct 78 LD

[Text] Prague, 18 Oct, CETEKA--Czechoslovak Foreign Minister Bohuslav Chnoupek said here today that his last year's visit to Burma contributed to the development of bilateral relations. In his toast at a luncheon given in honour of the visiting Burmese Foreign Minister Gen Mying Maung, Minister Chnoupek said that Czechoslovakia and Burma have identical views on major international issues, such as the efforts to preserve world peace and to strengthen the security of nations, the anti-apartheid struggle, the fight against racism and colonialism, and other questions. The minister expressed the conviction that the visit of his Burmese colleague will help strengthen the traditionally good and friendly relations between the two countries. Gen Mying Maung spoke of Czechoslovak-Burmese cooperation in economical and technical spheres, and appreciated the assistance given by Czechoslovakia to Burma in its efforts to build up the national economy.

CYPRUS PARTY LEADER DEPARTS, SEEN OFF BY BILAK

LD181728Y Prague CTK in English 1544 GMT 18 Oct 78 LD

[Text] Prague, 18 Oct, CETEKA--General Secretary of the Restorative Party of the Working People of Cyprus (AKEL) Ezekias Papaioannou left for Warsaw today, following a one-day visit to Czechoslovakia. He was seen off by Presidium member and Secretary of the Czechoslovak Communist Party Central Committee Vasil Bilak.

STROUGAL RECEIVES TURKISH PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION

LD181948Y Prague CTK in English 1829 GMT 18 Oct 78 LD

[Text] Prague, 18 Oct, CETEKA--The visiting Turkish parliamentary delegation, headed by acting chairman of the senate Fevzi Hakki Esatoglu, was received by Czechoslovak Premier Lubomir Strougal here today.

The two representatives exchanged information on the chief economic tasks carried out by their countries and stressed the importance of international economic cooperation. They stated that the economic structure of Czechoslovakia and Turkey makes it possible to intensify bilateral economic relations and that Czechoslovakia could participate to a greater extent in Turkey's industrialization program. The two sides agreed to create the necessary prerequisites for deeper long-term cooperation and specialization in production.

Earlier today, the Turkish delegation inspected the national enterprises in Prague-Hostivar, manufacturers of grinding machines which are also exported to Turkey.

PROTOCOL ON ECONOMIC COOPERATION SIGNED WITH ITALY

LD182206Y Prague CTK in English 2110 GMT 18 Oct 78 LD

[Text] Rome, 17 Oct, CETEKA--A protocol of Czechoslovak-Italian economic cooperation was signed here today, at the close of a three-day session of the mixed Czechoslovak-Italian commission for industrial cooperation, set up on the basis of a 1970 agreement.

JOINT COOPERATION AGREEMENT SIGNED WITH ALGERIA

AU181226Y Prague RUDE PRAVO in Czech 17 Oct 78 p 7 AU

[CTK report: "On Cooperation Between the CSSR and Algeria"]

[Text] Algiers, 16 Oct, CTK--The signing in Algiers on Monday of a joint document, which recommends expanding trade, economic and scientific-technical cooperation between Czechoslovakia and Algeria, concluded preparatory talks of the joint committee of the two countries. The adopted document assesses the possibilities for Czechoslovak exports of industrial equipment and engineering products to Algeria and the offer of the Algerian side to deliver crude oil and natural gas to the CSSR. These recommendations will be discussed by the fifth session of the joint Czechoslovak-Algerian committee for economic and scientific-technical cooperation, which will take place in Prague at the end of the year. Vladimir Loskot, the head of the Czechoslovak delegation, was received in the afternoon by Muhammad Hajj Ya'la, the Algerian minister of commerce.

MONGOLIAN, DANISH AMBASSADORS PRESENT CREDENTIALS

LD181744Y Prague CTK in English 1615 GMT 18 Oct 78 LD

[Text] Prague, 16 Oct, CETEKA--President Gustav Husak of Czechoslovakia received here today Mongolia's new Ambassador to Czechoslovakia Olzin Dorzj. Gustav Husak and Olzin Dorzj underlined the fraternal relations between the two countries, based on the unity of goals and interests of the Czechoslovak and Mongolian people and stated that the recent visit by Mongolian party and government delegation to Czechoslovakia significantly contributed to further development of cooperation and to the consolidation of the unity of the socialist countries. Another ambassador to present his credentials to Gustav Husak was Denmark's Bent Magni Haakonsen. The present and the ambassador noted that in tune with the principles of peaceful coexistence of countries with different social systems, the two countries are striving for a comprehensive implementation of the Helsinki Final Act.

OFFICIALS ATTEND SLOVAK NATIONAL COUNCIL SESSION

LD182010Y Bratislava Domestic Service in Slovak 1130 GMT 18 Oct 78 LD

[Excerpt] The ninth session of the Slovak National Council opened in Bratislava today. Viliam Solgovic, chairman of the Slovak National Council, welcomed the members of the Presidium of the CPCZ Central Committee: Jozef Lenart, first secretary of the CPSL Central Committee and Slovak Premier Peter Colotra, as well as members of the CPSL Central Committee Presidium and Secretariat, deputy premiers, and members of the government and further guests. The guests at the meeting of the Slovak National Council also include academician Bohumil Rosicky, member of the Presidium of the Czech National Council and chairman of the standing working commission on the environment, together with representatives of federal bodies.

In his opening address, Comrade Viliam Solgovic pointed out that the meeting was taking place as preparations for a dignified celebration of the 60th anniversary of an independent Czechoslovak state and the 10th anniversary of the constitutional law on the Czechoslovak federation were reaching their climax. He then stressed the significance of the establishment of an independent Czechoslovak state for the Slovak nation which meant salvation in view of the threat of losing its national identity and the demise of the nation. The solution of the nationality problem in Czechoslovakia, thanks to the long efforts of the CPCZ and the consistent application of a Leninist solution, was brought about only after the liberation of our country and the final acceptance of the constitutional law on the Czechoslovak federation.

After adopting the agenda, Deputy Premier Karol Martinka, chairman of the Slovak Planning Commission, presented a report of the Slovak Government on the implementation of the decision on capital investment in the Slovak capital, Bratislava, with emphasis on the construction of the Petrzelka urban sector.

COMMENT ON SHORTCOMINGS IN THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY

LD182038Y Prague Domestic Service in Czech 1730 GMT 18 Oct 78 LD

[Summary] (Jan Stajner ) comments on the prospects of plan fulfillment by the construction industry in Czechoslovakia this year:

It is obvious from the present stage of plan fulfillment by the construction industry that there will have to be an impetus at the end of the year: 115 enterprises are lagging behind the plan, this is close to 1 out of every 13 enterprises. This is not very good towards the end of the year, when the lagging enterprises try to fulfill the plan at all cost, because it can only be done at the expense of quality.

In housing construction over one-third of all construction enterprises have failed to fulfill their plans for the first 9 months of this year. From January to September the construction industry completed less than 55 percent of the task for the year. The final result will of course be more favorable, but in many cases the plans will be fulfilled only at the expense of a much higher intensity of work and ultimately of the quality of the completed dwellings. Only by a reduction of absenteeism and better adherence to working time can the building workers insure more uniform and consistent plan fulfillment. The shortcomings are primarily due to inadequate plan fulfillment, insufficient organization of work, poor management and often a wrong attitude to hard work.

PAPER REPORTS ON POPE JOHN PAUL II'S CAREER

AU182026Y East Berlin NEUES DEUTSCHLAND in German 17 Oct 78 p 7 AU

[Unattributed report: "Pope John Paul II"]

[Text] John Paul II was born on 18 May 1920 at Wodowice near Krakow. During the war he worked for an illegal antifascist group in Krakow. After the study of philosophy and theology he was ordained a priest in 1946. Subsequently he spent 2 years in Rome for studies and was active in France and Belgium. By the end of 1948 he returned to Poland where he taught first in Krakow and later at the Lublin Catholic University. In 1958 he was appointed titular bishop of Ombi and suffragate bishop of Krakow. In 1962 he was appointed capitular vicar of Krakow and in 1964 archbishop of Krakow. In 1967 the late Pope Paul VI promoted him to cardinal.

On Monday the new pope was greeted by tens of thousands of believers in St Peter's Square with the traditional shouts of "habemus papam" (we have a pope). He responded with the blessing "Urbi et Orbi". With the new Pope John Paul II a non-Italian has become head of the Catholic Church for the first time in 455 years.

TURKISH CYPRIOT PRESIDENT GREETS 29TH ANNIVERSARY

AU172154Y East Berlin NEUES DEUTSCHLAND in German 13 Oct 78 p 6 AU

[Text] To his excellency, Mr Erich Honecker, SED Central Committee general secretary and GDR State Council chairman.

Excellency! On the occasion of the 29th anniversary of the GDR's founding I convey to you, excellency, to the GDR Government and the people the most cordial congratulations and best wishes for continued hapiness, prosperity and well-being, on my own behalf and on behalf of the Turkish-Cypriot population group.

[Signed] Oguz R. Korhan, acting president of the Turkish Federated State of Cyprus

FRENCH CP DELEGATION'S ACTIVITIES REPORTED

AU172200Y East Berlin NEUES DEUTSCHLAND in German 16 Oct 78 p 2 AU

[Unattributed Berlin dispatch: "French Communist Party [PCF] Delegation Impressed by Reconstruction of Berlin: The Marzahn Construction Area and Arnim Square Were Visited"]

[Summary] "The PCF delegation which is now visiting the GDR at the invitation of the SED Central Committee and which is led by Maxime Gremetz, member of the Politburo and head of the Foreign Policy Department of the PCF Central Committee, acquainted itself with the further extensive construction in the capital on Saturday".

The PCF delegation could see for itself the practical implementation of the apartment building program, which is the heart of the social policy measures of the party and government, at Arnim Square, in the traditional Prenzlauer berg works district and in Berlin-Marzahn, the largest construction area in the capital. On Sunday the PCF delegation took a trip to Potsdam.

TELEGRAM CONGRATULATES PDRY'S 15TH ANNIVERSARY

AU172158Y East Berlin NEUES DEUTSCHLAND in German 14-15 Oct 78 p 1 AU

["GDR Telegram to the Friendly Arab State: Greetings to the PDRY on the 15th Anniversary of the Revolution"]

[Text] To Comrade 'Abd al-Fattah Isma'il, general secretary of the Yemeni Socialist Party of the PDRY; Comrade 'Ali Nasir Muhammad, chairman of the Presidential Council and chairman of the PDRY Council of Ministers, Aden.

Esteemed comrades, on the occasion of the 15th anniversary of the revolution we convey to you, the Central Committee of the Yemeni Socialist Party, the government and the friendly people of the PDRY most cordial greetings and congratulations on behalf of the SED Central Committee, the GDR State Council, Council of Ministers and people. In a sacrificing and courageous struggle for the building of a socialist oriented society, the PDRY people, under the leadership of its democratic vanguard, the Yemeni Socialist Party, have scored significant successes in all fields of socialist development, as well as in defending the gains of the revolutionary transformation of the country against the plots of domestic and foreign reaction. We are convinced that the relations of firm friendship and trustful cooperation between the GDR and the PDRY, which have developed in the joint struggle for peace, detente and social progress and against imperialism, neocolonialism and reaction, will also continue to develop and deepen in the future.

Esteemed comrades, accept our best wishes for good health, creative vigor and successes in your responsible activity for the benefit of the PDRY people. Erich Honecker, general secretary of the SED Central Committee and chairman of the GDR State Council; and Willi Stoph, chairman of the GDR Council of Ministers.

REPORTAGE ON EIGHTH TEACHERS' CONGRESS IN BERLIN

Honecker Sends Message

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[Text] Berlin--The teachers of the GDR have made "a great contribution to the shaping of the developed socialist society, to the preservation of peace and to solidarity with all peoples struggling for their liberation," says a greetings address of the SED Central Committee, signed by General Secretary Erich Honecker, to the Eighth Pedagogical Congress, which is discussing the implementation of the school policy decisions of the Eighth and Ninth SED congresses and other tasks in education and upbringing. "It is largely thanks to their devoted work that friendship with the Soviet Union and the other socialist countries is so deeply rooted in the minds and hearts of youth", the address continues.

The Central Committee points to the successes achieved in the construction of the socialist educational system, and underlines: "The first workers and peasants state on German soil is putting into practise the fundamental human right to education and free development of the personality." All paths of education are open to everybody. A 10-year secondary school education followed by vocational training and a guaranteed job are a matter of course.

The greetings address stresses that the further shaping of the developed socialist society makes great demands on the school and on the responsibility of the teacher.

"The decisive task consists in further developing the substance of the 10-year general polytechnical school and in devoting particular attention to the communist upbringing of the young generation," it says. Teachers and educators can meet these demands mainly through thorough work full of initiative in every school and educational institution, in every class and in every subject. In order to prepare youth thoroughly for work and for a meaningful, cultural life, the school must be linked closer with practical socialist construction and the polytechnical character of the secondary school further developed. "The preparation of girls and boys for life and work is the concern of all people," the greetings address stressed.

Margot Honecker Speech

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[Excerpt from keynote speech, the social mission of our school, delivered by GDR Minister of Public Education Margot Honecker at the opening ceremony of the GDR's Eighth Pedagogical Congress in the Berlin Palace of the Republic on 18 October 1978--recorded]

[Text] In the 30th year of the history of the GDR our school faces great tasks. The tasks of the educational system can be defined correctly only if one proceeds from concrete social processes, from the times in which we live; if we incorporate the school's place and the role into the social changes which in the course of our revolution have been, are being and will be further performed in conformity with the course of nature. The period in which we are living and in which our young people mature marks the beginning of a new epoch of mankind. There are people who do not like such allegedly big words. But the classics of Marxism-Leninism could hardly characterize more strikingly a period in which the centuries-old exploitation of man by man has been eliminated already on one part of the globe and an association has replaced the old bourgeois society with its classes and class contradictions in which the free development of every person forms the condition for the free development of all.

All those who would like to shape socialism in a different way if they had it cannot deny the fact that things are working better over here without exploiters. As far as freedom, democracy and human rights are concerned we possess them and are implementing them more comprehensively. [prolonged applause] Observers or analysts of world affairs who ascribe to the nature of socialism every insufficiency or every deficiency have not comprehended that more has been created for the people in a historically so short period of only a few decades than over the centuries before; that the greatest handicap of the past, the centuries-old exploitation of man by man, has been eliminated and the old society of exploiters has been eradicated. To impute to us that we are conservative, dogmatic and what else may be invented in the demagogic jingle of words--because we are defending what has been achieved, our socialism, which has been fought for in hard struggles and paid with the best blood, the sweat of millions--is at least foolish if this is being done out of ignorance; as it always was, is and remains the declared program of the communists, the contents of the daily toilsome work of millions of workers, peasants, and intelligentsia to build our society even better and more perfectly. And this will also remain so when communism has been achieved by mankind. To be sure, what we are striving for is--and this precisely is the profound meaning of the 8th and 9th party congress--that people will not live better, more harmoniously and happily only in a remote future. We are doing everything in order to attain advantages of socialism. Contradictions in the development constitute driving forces for us. Their solution is a task for us and lets us make headway.

We criticize openly and objectively, express self-criticism wherever it matters to change things because it helps us to advance and not, as is being oracled by Western journalists for 30 years now, because we are at the brink of collapse, in which they, by the way, do not believe themselves. The wheel of history turns forward, however, not by itself because it requires great efforts. It is the aim and the task of our all-round polytechnical high school to implement more perfectly the great idea of combining productive work with lessons and physical exercises which Marx describes as the sole method for the education of all-round developed people.

It is for the first time in the history of our people that notwithstanding the social position of parents, ideology and religion, schools offer an equally high degree of education to all children, a sound scientific general education comprising education in the field of social sciences and arts, languages and natural sciences, polytechnal education and physical education for all children during a 10-year school term. Scientific education for all children of the people didnot exist in the capitalist society and does not exist there now. Such a task could only have been tackled by socialism. There also have been hard struggles in this section of our socialist re olution. The opponent can boast of having made things difficult for us.

It has been oracled that scientific education was overstraining the pupils, that the standard school was hampering the development of talented pupils. It was resorting once again to all bourgeois gifts and (?favorite) theories. Irrespective of whatever has been brought forward against the new school and of whatever had been placed in our way, the enemy did not stop us. The creation of equal opportunities in the field of education could not have been done with a single act of legislation. What was required was to create the material, personal and political-ideological conditions. It is the result of the people's work, which, under the leadership of our party, has set up the new society, the result also of the work of tens of thousands of pedagogues. And as can be seen today our teachers have done a good job in solving their task. They have stood the test of history. [applause]

This, dear comrades and friends, does count more than the approach of only a few people, renegades of socialism, and of those who are not quite particular about the historical truth, who want to apply to the socialist teacher a negative cliche. I think that there is nobody amongst us who did not know how much one had to change oneself, how hard one had to work to be a good teacher. How much truth is contained precisely in the book of Goerlich "On Newspaper Advertisement" precisely in the remark and in the fact that now several generations of teachers are already working together, the old ones with their experiences and, nurtured by their side, the young ones.

In view of the fact that in the FRG reactionary traditions of German imperialism are once again deeply rooted in all fields of social life, it is not surprising that pedagogues in the FRG, who are aware of their responsibility vis-a-vis their profession, vis-a-vis young people, are being persecuted with the antidemocratic ban on employment and are dismissed from school service. All our sympathy goes to those who, being aware of their responsibility vis-a-vis their profession, do not shirk their personal sacrifices and stand up for the rights of young people on education and upbringing in the spirit of the Potsdam agreement which is incompatible with an upbringing in the spirit of revanchism and fascism. [prolonged applause] Every mother and father who is keenly interested in the well-being of their children can say: What is being taught and acquired at our schools is good, for it is an education with respect for men, their work, with respect for other peoples, it is an education which teaches children to stand up for peace, for the happiness of men by words and deeds. [applause]

Comrades, what else if not our world outlook, our ideology, which is mustering more people in the world, because it is true and human, should we be able to recommend to our children? It is the best that we can and must convey to the young generation, and it is in this very sense that we are speaking of class-like revolutionary education, of the fact that all education and the upbringing of young people is directed towards education in communist morality.

MIELKE OUTLINES TASKS OF COMMUNISTS IN STATE SECURITY

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[ADN report on SED Central Committee Politburo member Erich Mielke's speech at Berlin Propagandists Rally on 17 October]

[Text] Berlin (ADN)--At a large propaganda rally Erich Mielke, SED Central Committee Politburo member and minister for state security, spoke on Monday on the responsibility and the militant tasks of the communists at the Ministry for State Security in the further successful implementation of the decisions of the Ninth SED Congress. With this rally, the 1978-79 party school year was opened in the Ministry for State Security party organization.

"The entire activity of our ministry is, to a growing extent, devoted to the preparation of the 30th anniversary of the GDR's founding. The 1978-79 party school year, too, thus acquires special characteristics," Erich Mielke declared. "It will be used as an essential factor for the further deepening of Marxist-Leninist knowledge of the communists at the Ministry for State Security and for raising the militant strength of all party collectives. The study of the basic questions of Marxism-Leninism and of the party's policy is an essential prerequisite for the all-round fulfillment of the class assignment of the GDR Chekists.

"The further acquisition and creative application of the techniques of Marx and Engels enable us--under any conditions and in any situation--to perform qualified work. It is necessary to adjust the members and candidate members to the growing requirements that will result for the work of the Ministry for State Security from the further shaping of developed socialist society in our republic and from the class struggle between socialism and imperialism. With the speech of Erich Honecker, SED Central Committee general secretary, before the first secretaries of the kreis leadership, we have received outstanding guidance. Its further thorough analysis is a principal concern of all circles and seminars."

The speaker stressed that the international balance of forces has changed in favor of socialism and that socialism, the forces of social progress, are determining the development despite the growing resistance of reaction. He pointed out, however, that because of the activities of the leading circles of imperialism an exacerbation of the international situation has ensued. While the socialist states headed by the Soviet Union are waging a consistent struggle for deepening detente and for disarmament, NATO aims at intensifying military armament, at creating new tensions and distrust between the states, and at obstructing the negotiations on arms limitation and disarmament.

"Imperialism and its organs have substantially intensified the struggle against socialism in all fields. Their entire policy is aimed at weakening the socialist state and social system. The ideological attacks are marked by growing aggressiveness, and cold methods are again being employed."

"At the same time the subversive nature of these attacks is increasing, and such machinations are closely linked with other manifold forms of hostile activity against the socialist states, against the unity and cohesion of our fraternal alliance with the Soviet Union, against the political power of the workers class. The imperialist secret services and other hostile centers are especially seeking to achieve results in our countries with subversive activities. Since the Red October, and our own successful development, history has shown that the antisocialist plans and schemes of imperialism have always been foiled by the vigor and strength of socialism, by the revolutionary vigilance and militant determination of the workers class and its protection and security organs. This will continue to be so in the future."

The minister for state security confirmed the GDR Chekists' determination under the leadership of the party to always live up to their high responsibility for the reliable protection of socialism and the constant safeguarding of the GDR's state security, for discovering and thwarting enemy plans and machinations and for leaving the enemy no opportunity. He thanked the Ministry for State Security propagandists for the successful fulfillment of their party assignment and declared: "Let us use the 1978-79 party school year and the forthcoming party elections for further incessantly strengthening the striking power of the GDR's socialist state security organ, for increasing its readiness to devote all its energy to our communist ideals, and to accomplish new outstanding achievements in honor of the 30th anniversary of the GDR's founding."

WEST BERLIN CITIZEN SENTENCED FOR TRANSIT ABUSE

AU171103Y East Berlin NEUES DEUTSCHLAND in German 14-15 Oct 78 p 2 AU

[ADN dispatch from Berlin: "Agent of Criminal Lampl Gang Sentenced for Transit Abuse"]

[Text] On 12 October 1978 the Frankfurt (Oder) Bezirk court sentenced (West) Berlin citizen Christiane Dirrigl, who had acted as an agent for the criminal Lampl gang, a gang which is controlled by a secret service, to 4 years imprisonment for crimes according to section 105 of the penal code.

The agent, who had been recruited and paid by the criminal Lampl gang, was repeatedly employed by gang leader Lampl as well as by his West Berlin agency head Hannelore Krug for serious subversive acts against the transit agreement. The unscrupulous and criminal practices of the Lampl gang were affirmed during the trial. Christiana Dirrigl carried her baby with her to disguise in a refined manner the gang-like organized transit abuse, as well as the gross violation of the generous entry regulations for the GDR capital. Dirrigl also was involved in the abominable plans for the kidnaping of a child from the GDR which was to be taken by crafty abduction and against the will of the father who is vested with the right of education to Berlin (West) by the criminal Lampl gang. The Volkswagen automobile with license plate number B-X 7988, used for the crime, was impounded.

BRIEFS

ROLLING MILL FOR CUBA--The Magdeburg Ernst Thaelmann heavy machinery combine will erect a complete medium and finishing rolling mill in the Republic of Cuba. Its site will be at the Jose Marti metallurgical plant near the capital of Havana. The Soviet Union is building a steel works there which is turning out the starting material for the rolling mill. [Text] [East Berlin DER MORGEN in German 16 Oct 78 p 1 AU]

BUDAPEST RADIO NOTES U.S. DECISION ON NEUTRON BOMB COMPONENTS

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[Text] The United States Government has ordered the production of certain components of the neutron bomb, but has not made a final decision on whether it would go ahead with the production and deployment of the weapon, the State Department announced in Washington today. As a result of world pressure, President Carter decided to postpone production of the neutron bomb in April. In connection with the U.S. decision, the Washington correspondent of the Hungarian news agency, MTI, recalled that Secretary of State Cyrus Vance will travel to Moscow for the SALT talks at the end of the week.

Further Report

LD191052Y Budapest Domestic Service in Hungarian 0600 GMT 19 Oct 78 LD

[Text] Our Washington correspondent, Istvan Kulcsar, reports:

The generally well-informed Washington correspondent of CBS, the American television station, announced this evening [18 October] that the U.S. administration is weighing the possibilities for developing the next generation of heavy strategic weapons. In real terms, this means that bases for intercontinental missiles will be established under the sea on some sort of gigantic submarines. These would differ in quality from the current strike submarines and would take over the role of silos on land which shelter strategic missiles. The news leaked out hardly 4 days before Secretary of State Vance begins against his SALT negotiations in Moscow.

It is probably no coincidence that it was also announced in Washington yesterday that the administration is to spread $200 million to begin production of certain components of the neutron bomb so that, should a final decision be made about the deployment of this inhumane weapon, this could happen quickly. This attempt at blackmail has aroused indignation in the Washington legislature. Mark Hatfield, senator from Oregon, said it was regrettable that the decision about the neutron bomb was taken at a time when the SALT negotiations are in full swing and said that the decision of the president is a contradiction to the negotiations.

LOSONCZI, LAZAR GREET PDRY LEADER ON NATIONAL DAY

AU172203Y Budapest NEPSZABADSAG in Hungarian 14 Oct 78 p 3 AU

[Text] On the occasion of the national holiday of the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen, Pal Losonczi, chairman of the Presidential Council, and Gyorgy Lazar, chairman of the Council of Ministers, greeted in a message 'Ali Nasir Muhamad, chairman of the Presidential Council and prime minister of the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen.

DEPUTY PREMIER MARJAI DEPARTS FOR PRAGUE COMMISSION MEETING

LD181731Y Budapest Domestic Service in Hungarian 1600 GMT 18 Oct 78 LD

[Text] Deputy Premier Jozsef Marjai has left for Prague to attend the session of the Hungarian-Czechoslovak joint commission for economic cooperation. Jozsef Marjai is the chairman of the Hungarian section of the commission.

DANISH PRIME MINISTER TO VISIT IN 'NEAR FUTURE'

LD181910Y Budapest MTI in English 1725 GMT 18 Oct 78 LD

[Text] Budapest, 18 Oct, MTI--At the invitation by Gyorgy Lazar, chairman of the Hungarian Council of Ministers, Anker Jorgensen, prime minister of the Kingdom of Denmark, is to pay an official visit to Hungary in the near future.

PRENSA LATINA DIRECTOR ENDS VISIT, DEPARTS

LD181834Y Budapest MTI in English 1714 GMT 18 Oct 78 LD

[Text] Budapest, 18 Oct, MTI--Gustavo Robreno Dolz, general director of the Cuban news agency PRENSA LATINA, Wednesday left Budapest after a few days' visit in Hungary at the invitation of the Hungarian news agency (MTI). In Budapest Mr Dolz concluded talks with leaders of MTI about ways of expanding cooperation between the two news agencies. The talks were attended by the Cuban ambassador to Hungary, Jose Antonio Tabares del Real.

Gustavo Robreno Dolz was received by Under Secretary of State Petur Varkonyi, president of the Information Office of the Hungarian Council of Ministers, Vencel Hazi, deputy foreign minister, and Laszlo Fodor, deputy head of the Agitprop section of the HSWP Central Committee.

MSZMP'S ISTVAN HUSZAR SPEAKS AT ACADEMICIAN'S FUNERAL

LD170940Y Budapest MTI in English 0624 GMT 17 Oct 78 LD

[Text] Budapest, 16 Oct, MTI--His family, friends, colleagues, comrades and representatives of the Hungarian scientific life accompanied on his last trip academician Istvan Friss, member of the HSWP Central Committee. At the honorary mortuary of Budapest's Mezo Imre Street cemetery, leading representatives of the HSWP, of the Hungarian state, and of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences made up the guard of honour.

On behalf of the HSWP Central Committee, Istvan Huszar, member of the HSWP Political Committee, vice chairman of the Hungarian Council of Ministers and president of the Hungarian National Planning Office, made a parting speech.

"By Istvan Friss' death our party lost its outstanding, also internationally recognized fighter. He was a revolutionist, a patriot and internationalist..." said Istvan Huszar, adding that:

"Istvan Friss had written his name in the Hungarian party's history as an economic politician first of all. He played an active part in working out and implementing the party's economic policy. He had an outstanding part in preparing and realizing stability, nationalization and socialist planned economy. He also organized in 1954 the economic institute of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences. After the counterrevolution he was again department head at the Central Committee. He took an active share in the consistent resolving of the errors committed earlier in the economic policy as well as in the organization of economic consolidation. From the 60's onward he took part as a member of the politicians' and scientists' team directing the elaboration of the economic management reform in the further development of the socialist planned economy and in working out new methods of guidance. As a scientist in the Marxist economic sciences, acknowledged also internationally, he wrote a number of studies on the planning and guidance of the socialist economy and on the rules of the CMEA countries' cooperation."

The burial ended with the sounds of the Internationale.

POLISH EPISCOPATE PUBLISHES STATEMENT ON NEW POPE

LD181758Y Warsaw PAP in English 1300 GMT 18 Oct 78 LD

[Text] Warsaw, 18 Oct, PAP--The Polish Episcopate published a statement in connection with the election of Cardinal Karol Wojtyla as pope. The statement says that the entire church is jubilant over the election of the new pope, and the church in Poland and the Polish nation have special reasons for being joyful. The election of a Pole as pontiff by the Holy College of Cardinals, for the first time in the history of the church, indicates that the Holy Spirit knows no linguistic, national, racial, cultural and political barriers. Local churches make one holy universal church, the statement says.

The statement goes on to say that this joy is all the greater as a Polish cardinal was elected the bishop of Rome during the preparations for the celebrations to mark the 900th anniversary of the martyr death of Saint Stanislaus and of the 600th anniversary of the presence of our lady in Jasna Gora.

We express the profound hope, the statement says, that these celebrations will be attended by Pope John Paul II. The full text of the statement is printed by SLOWO POWSZECHNE.

Papers Report Pope's Election

AU181846 [Editorial Report AU] The 17 October issues of TRYBUNA LUDU, ZYCIE WARSZAWY, GLOS PRACY and SZTANDAR MLODYCH front-page PAP reports on the election of Pope John Paul II, a PAP-attributed biography of Karol Wojtyla and the text of the statement by Wlodzimierz Janiurek, Polish government spokesman, to the ANSA press agency. ZYCIE WARSZAWY carries the portrait of John Paul II, as well as a 350-word commentary on the election.

SLOWO POWSZECHNE gives the topic special treatment and dedicates all of page 1 and part of page 2 to it. Under the banner headline across page 1--"Habemus Papam Icannem Paulum II; Cardinal Karol Wojtyla is Saint Peter's Heir"--the paper features the communique issue by the Vatican press bureau on the election, two photographs of the pope giving his first blessing, the statement made by Polish Government Spokesman Janiurek, a 440-word unattributed commentary on the event and a report by Rome correspondent Zygmut Tyszka entitled "The Name of Poland Is on the Lips of the Romans." On page 2 the paper features a 750-word unattributed biography of the pope and a 200-word report on the first Polish responses to the election.

In its commentary on the election, ZYCIE WARZAWY refers to the heritage received by the new pope and writes:

"As is known, Pope Paul VI left an important heritage, defining the relationship, both his own and of the apostolic seat, to Poland. It was specified in sentences addressed last year to the PZPR Central Committee first secretary during the latter's visit to the Vatican. 'In this conversation, we expressed the wish and, on our part, the desire to cooperate and to act--and this is also the wish of the episcopate--in favor of that unity of the Poles in the cause of building the prosperity of the Polish People's Republic in an atmosphere of confidence in relations between the church and the state, as well as in recognition of the church's proper tasks and mission in the present reality of the country. In this way alone the church will be able to more fully make the contribution which it is willing to make and which is expected from it.'"

CYPRUS' AKEL PARTY LEADER PAPAIOANNOU ARRIVES

LD182037Y Warsaw Domestic Service in Polish 1900 GMT 18 Oct 78

[Text] Ezakias Papaioannou, general secretary of the Central Committee of the Restorative Party of the Working People of Cyprus [AKEL], arrived in Poland today at the invitation of the PZPR Central Committee. He was met by Edward Babiuch, Polituro member and Central Committee secretary. Also present was the deputy head of the Foreign Department of the Central Committee, Krzysztof Ostrowski.

JABLONSKI RECEIVES WARSAW UNIVERSITY REPRESENTATIVES

LD182142Y Warsaw Domestic Service in Polish 1800 GMT 18 Oct 78 LD

[Text] Henry Jablonski, chairman of the Council of State, today received representatives of the administration of Warsaw University, headed by the rector, Professor Zygmunt Rybicki. The meeting included a discussion of the problems linked with the university's scientific, research, didactic and educational work in the current academic year.

MORE ON WOJTASZEK ADDRESS TO JOURNALISTS' MEETING

LD190848Y Warsaw in English to Europe 2230 GMT 18 Oct 78 LD

["Summary" of the speech delivered by Polish Foreign Minister Emil Wojtaszek to the international gathering of journalists in Jablonna, near Warsaw, on 17 October]

[Text] The fundamental issue of the contemporary world is undoubtedly the need to maintain peace and security, while the basic process in international relations is detente, which had been initiated and is being extended by the policy of peaceful coexistence of states with differing political and social systems.

Here Minister Wojtaszek stressed that Poland, together with her allies, the Soviet Union and the remaining members of the socialist community, will spare no effort to strengthen peace and detente. At the present juncture of world politics, he continued, there is still the fear that the delicate structure of East-West relations could be impaired. There still are tensions and problems resulting from the differences in political systems, ideologies, and diversified interests, and also the uneven level of development in the world, notably in the economic sphere.

The international situation is further complicated by the continuing arms race which is being imposed on the world by the military and industrial complexes in the West. However, not these but other elements are shaping today the course of world developments. The new forms of collaboration, (?states and society).

An exchange here is the conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe and the implementation of the Helsinki Final Act. A consistent adherence to the decisions of this document raises the (?chances) of making detente stable and of peacefully restructuring international relations.

The Polish foreign minister laid deep stress on the urgency of consolidating detente and of extending it to the military sphere. On this matter, specially valuable are the efforts which are being made to positively shape the Soviet-American relations. We believe, Minister Wojtaszek said, that it is possible now to take steps leading to a reduction of the overall level of armaments without infringing the security of either side.

It is our view that the most appropriate road to achieving that aim is offered by the initiatives of the Soviet Union and the countries of the socialist community.

At the same time, the Polish foreign minister said, we are ready to view most attentively all other constructive disarmament proposals.

Minister Wojtaszek then recalled the many Polish initiatives aimed at making peace stable and universal, among which especially notable is the idea of educating the young generation in the spirit of peace, originally raised at the United Nations by the Polish leader, Edward Gierek, and most recently expanded in the draft declaration on the preparation of societies for life in peace, tabled by Poland at the latest UN General Assembly session.

This is a program of shaping mutual attitudes of respect and tolerance, of becoming familiar with the history, culture and attainments of other nations, of extending the knowledge of foreign languages and of the every day life of other societies. There is also the need to deepen studies of the organization of life and conditions of a durable peace, of peaceful methods of solving controversies, of how the world could gain from the allocation of sums now being spent on armaments for the peaceful development of the world.

All those actions embodied by the problem of preparing societies for life in peace lie in the interest of shaping international relations in the spirit of the Helsinki Final Act for the purpose of creating mutual trust. That document committed the signatory states to insure that cooperation and the humanitarian [word indistinct] including the dissemination of information should serve three basic goals: The strengthening of peace, the consolidation of the climate of confidence among nations, and the spiritual enrichment of human personality.

Of course, the Polish foreign minister continued, one cannot overlook the objective difficulties created by differences in political systems, by ideological and structural differences in the contemporary world. The desire to reshape contemporary international relations along the democratic principles set out in the Final Act does not imply the lessening of these differences, but of recognizing that they do exist. It does not envisage the thrusting of one's own views on others, but the conducting of a dialog in which political and ideological differences would be respected. It is founded on the assumption that the common and superior value is to insure that each human being in all nations should be able to enjoy the right to live in peace.

LUKASZEWICZ SPEAKS AT INTERPARTY CONFERENCE ON MASS MEDIA

LD182356Y Warsaw Domestic Service in Polish 2300 GMT 18 Oct 78 LD

[Excerpts] An interparty theoretical conference on mass communications media and their role in educational work and the ideological struggle has taken place in Warsaw. Jerzy Lukaszewicz, candidate member of the Politburo and secretary of the party's Central Committee, made a speech during the meeting.

ZANDAROWSKI ATTENDS PZPR VOIVODSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING

LD182134Y Warsaw Domestic Service in Polish 1800 GMT 18 Oct 78 LD

[Excerpt] A plenary meeting of the PZPR Voivodship Committee took place in Kielce today. Taking part was Zdzislaw Zandarowski, Central Committee secretary.

SCIENTIFIC, CULTURAL COOPERATION TALKS WITH LIBYA END

LD172228Y Warsaw PAP in English 2121 GMT 17 Oct 78 LD

[Text] Warsaw, 17 Oct, PAP--Polish-Libyan consultation held here ended today in the [word indistinct] of an executive programme to the agreement on cooperation in culture and science for the years 1979-1980. The programme envisages cooperation in culture and art, science and education, mass media, health protection, sport and youth's contacts. It is a reflection of a positive development of Polish-Libyan cooperation, which advanced following the visits paid to Libya by Polish president of the Council of State in 1976 and to Poland by Libyan leader Colonel al-Qadhdhafi this year. While mapping out the trends for broadening the contacts and cooperation, the programme will serve the joint efforts along the way to closer rapprochement of those two friendly countries [passage indistinct].

PEASANT PARTY COMMITTEE DISCUSSES FODDER PRODUCTION

LD182150Y Warsaw Domestic Service in Polish 1800 GMT 18 Oct 78 LD

[Text] The 12th plenum of the Supreme Committee of the United Peasant Party took place in Warsaw today. The deliberations, chaired by Stanislaw Gucwa, president of the Supreme Committee, were devoted to the problems of intensifying and modernizing our agriculture's fodder economy. A paper of the Supreme Committee's Presidium and the plenum's discussion stressed the necessity for the whole party, its rural circles and parish committees, to act effectively toward a positive increase this year and in coming years in the production of cereals and fodder. An improvement in maintenance, and the rational use of feed in rearing farm animals were stressed.

[Words indistinct] the maximum expansion of the cultivation of cereals and fodder crops; corn, sugarbeet, fodder beet, and increased crops of potatoes. The faster development of the raising of cattle can insure a more effective transformation of fodder into meat and milk. If proper advantage is to be taken of the favorable conditions of intensive breeding, all the reserves of agriculture must be mobilized. Important tasks, above all, are to increase the production of fodder on permanent pasture land and a further expansion of the cultivation of corn and winter aftercrops, as these are the most important cattle fodder.

BRIEFS

TRADE MISSION IN BELGIUM--Luxembourg, Brussels, PAP--An economic and trade mission of the Polish foreign trade chamber, headed by Jerzy Ciszewski, deputy chairman of the chamber, recently visited Luxembourg and Belgium. It was received by Jacques Poos, minister of finance, and had talks with representatives of Luxembourg banks and commercial enterprises. The delegation also attended the Luxembourg international fair. While in Belgium, Jerzy Ciszewski met W. Scholart, chairman of the Belgian office for foreign trade. It was resolved to improve cooperation between the two institutions. [Warsaw TRYBUNA LUDU in Polish 17 Oct 78 p 2 AU]

BANGLADESH, ITALIAN ENVOYS--PAP--On 9 October Sejm Chairman Stanislaw Gucwa received Italian Ambassador Mario Profili, who paid the former a visit in the Sejm in connection with the completion of his diplomatic mission in Poland. On the same day Stanislaw Gucwa received Bangladesh Ambassador Abul Ahsan, who called on the former in the Sejm in connection with his beginning diplomatic mission in Poland. [Warsaw TRYBUNA LUDU in Polish 11 Oct 78 p 4 AU]

CEAUSESCU CONGRATULATES POPE JOHN PAUL II

AU190906Y Bucharest SCINTEIA in Romanian 18 Oct 78 p 5 AU

[Text] To His Holiness Pope John Paul II, Vatican: I congratulate you cordially on the occasion of your election to the high position of head of the Catholic Church and sovereign of the Vatican state.

[Signed] Nicolae Ceausescu, president of the Socialist Republic of Romania

CEAUSESCU RECEIVES DEPARTING COLOMBIAN AMBASSADOR

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[Text] President of the Republic Comrade Nicolae Ceausescu this afternoon received the farewell visit of Colombia's ambassador to Bucharest, Fernando Urdaneta Laverde, in connection with the conclusion of his mission to our country. On this occasion the sides had a talk which proceeded in a cordial atmosphere.

DELEGATE ADDRESSES UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON ECONOMIC RELATIONS

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[Text] United Nations, 18 Oct, AGERPRES--The leading role the UN General Assembly should play in debating and solving the fundamental problems of the world economy, in the progress and in stimulating the dialogue on changing the structure of the world economy was highlighted by Romania's representative in the plenum of the General Assembly.

The report of the plenary committee set up during the preceding session at the initiative of the "Group of 77" member-countries, was discussed by the General Assembly.

In his address, Ambassador Teodor Marinescu presented the principle outlook of the Romanian Government on the ways to eradicate underdevelopment and to promote new-type relations among states, based on full equality and equity.

The speaker highlighted that the problems covering the deep-going changing of the international economic relations are strongly influenced by the perpetuance and aggravation of the economic crisis phenomena, as well as by the failure in the endeavour so far to eliminating those phenomena, this affecting particularly the developing countries. In this context adequate measures were highlighted as necessary for accelerating the increase of production as well as the diversification of the economies of the lagging countries, also by means of increasing the international support granted to them, by free international trade and judicious regulations of prices, by ensuring unhampered access of the developing countries to modern science and technology.

The fulfillment of the mandate conferred on the plenary committee by the General Assembly, the Romanian representative said, asks for the full participation of all its members to giving an impetus to the negotiations and to facilitating the settlement of the outstanding problems, to singling out the priorities and to checking the implementation of the covenanted agreements. At the same time, incumbent on this body will be the important task to adequately prepare the 1980 special session of the General Assembly.

The nature of the problems discussed by the committee, being essential for the destiny of the social and economic progress in the world, implies the direct participation of all those interested, their political commitment to identifying new solutions as well as the consideration of their specific interests. It is only in this way that the solutions agreed upon can be efficient, accepted and implemented in good faith by all the member-countries.

ILIESCU, MACOVESCU ADDRESS NATIONAL COLLOQUIUM ON POETRY

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[Excerpt] Bucharest, 18 Oct, AGERPRES--The first national colloquium of poetry of Romania began its proceedings in Iasi, on October 18. Attending are well-nigh 400 poets, critics, literary historians, directors of publishing houses, literary figures from all over the country.

An event with deep reverberation in the spiritual life of the entire country, the national colloquium of poetry, holding a top place within the "Song to Romania" national festival, was arranged by the union of writers and by the writers' association of Iasi, jointly with the poetry section of the writers' association of Bucharest. The colloquium provides the frame for a comprehensive exchange of opinions about the contemporary Romanian poetry, its accomplishments and aspirations, its social and political mission.

The colloquium continues the practice of the ample and thorough debates on the literary phenomenon initiated last year at the writers' conference, in the spirit of the previous colloquia of literary critique and dramaturgy held in Bucharest and Cluj, respectively.

Greeting the participants and the initiative to arrange this colloquium in Iasi, a place with rich cultural and literary traditions, Ion Iliescu, alternate member of the Executive Political Committee of the CC of the RCP, first secretary of the Iasi County Committee of the RCP, underlined that the exchange of ideas, the confrontation of opinion that will take place in the fertile climate promoted by the party which encourages the innovating thinking, the live creation inspired by generous ideas anchored in the life of the people, will occasion the expression of reflections and conclusions by those who devoted their talent and life to the progress of the Romanian literature and culture.

In his address, George Macovescu, chairman of the Romanian Writers' Union, underscored the significance of the national colloquium of poetry in the context of the general development of the Romanian literature and culture, pointing out also the remarkable successes of the Romanian literary creation in the fertile years of socialism, the value of the new lyrical productions, the place of the contemporary poetry in the Romanian spiritual life, the influence of poetry on the man of today, a builder of socialism and communism.

SCINTEIA COMMENTARY URGES FURTHER EFFORTS FOR DISARMAMENT

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["The Imperative of Firm Actions for Disarmament"--AGERPRES headline]

[Text] Bucharest, 18 Oct, AGERPRES--In an extensive commentary on this subject, SCINTEIA newspaper points out in its today's issue that disarmament holds central place in Romania's foreign policy.

Highlighting that Romania appreciates in the positive the results of the UN special session on disarmament, SCINTEIA writes: The session brought to the fore that such a complex and important problem cannot be solved in a limited, artificial framework, including only some states, but in a universal one, where all states should participate in the negotiations. Of special importance are the concrete results of the session, its decisions concerning an improved negotiation mechanism.

So far so good--SCINTEIA writes--but these are only premises and to make them come true, tremendous efforts must be made. Noting that not even after the conclusion of the UN special session the clouds gathered on the horizon of international life have not dispersed yet owing to the sharper struggle for spheres of domination in various parts of the globe, SCINTEIA also polemizes against those concepts according to which the growing tension in interstate relations should legitimate intensifying arming.

Arguing next that the UN special session must not be seen as a break in the struggle for disarmament, the Bucharest newspaper writes among others: Historical experience gives many examples illustrating that the conclusion of international meetings was followed by states of dangerous euphoria. It could be said that, in the modern epoch, several positive documents were recorded in diplomatic offices but they were not put into practice. As a matter of fact, not only once, the forces interested in cancelling the decisions adopted did [as received] directly reject these decisions but undermined them by escalations of alleged optimism. The recent experience of the Belgrade all-European meeting must serve as a warning in this respect.

Unfortunately, there still are examples related to the consequences of such trends. It is deeply regrettable that, although a consensus was reached during the session as regards the serious dangers of arming, the competition for supremacy in the sphere of mass destruction weapons has continued at an impetuous rate. Particularly serious is the fact that developing countries are ever more drawn into this irrational race, precisely those countries which terribly need material means to surmount the state of backwardness inherited from foreign domination.

The newspaper stresses in conclusion that the new, more democratic framework of negotiations provides important prerequisites for effective progress in disarmament. But an ever more important, decisive role in this respect should be played by peoples everywhere. At present, it is an ardent imperative that all progressive forces, all peoples should mobilize and rally their efforts, for it is in their power to make disarmament progress.

As far as Romania is concerned, it is firmly determined to act still more vigorously for concrete disarmament measures, for the building of a world without weapons and wars, a world of peace, collaboration and progress of all nations.

ROMANIA TO BUY CANADIAN NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS

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[Text] Romania has agreed to purchase two Canadian-designed nuclear power generating stations. Atomic Energy of Canada said the agreement covers the supply of design, engineering and equipment for one station to begin in 1980, with the second station to follow within 2 years. Each reactor is expected to be worth about $150 million to the Canadian nuclear industry. It is the first sale of a Canadian nuclear reactor to a communist country.

MALAYSIAN SENATE SPEAKER DEPARTS BUCHAREST 18 OCT

AU182035Y Bucharest AGERPRES in English 1843 GMT 18 Oct 78 AU

[Text] Bucharest, 18 Oct, AGERPRES--Tan Sri Datuk Haji Omar Yoke Lin Ong, president of the Malaysian Senate, left Bucharest on Wednesday, after having visited Romania at the invitation of the Grand National Assembly.

YOUTH DELEGATION IN NEW ZEALAND MEETS GOVERNOR GENERAL

AU182039Y Bucharest AGERPRES in English 1910 GMT 18 Oct 78 AU

[Text] Wellington, 18 Oct, AGERPRES--The delegation of the Union of Communist Youth and of the Union of Communist Students' Associations of Romania, led by Nicu Ceausescu, secretary of the CC of the UCY, called on Keyth Holyoake, governor general of New Zealand, on October 18, to whom a message of friendship from President Nicolae Ceausescu of Romania was conveyed.

On thanking, the governor general asked that sincere wishes of good health and happiness be conveyed to President Nicolae Ceausescu, and underlined the interest with which people in New Zealand follow his internal and international activity, as well as Romania's contribution to the achievement of a climate of understanding and collaboration among peoples.

The same day, the delegation of the Romanian youth had a cordial interview with B.E. Talboys, minister of foreign affairs.

The delegation had also talks with Ross Tanner, chairman of the National Youth Council of New Zealand, when views were exchanged on the activity of the two organizations. The Romanian youth delegation had talks at the Ministry of Recreation and Sport with [name indistinct], member of the Parliament, deputy leader of the Labour Party, and met leaders of the technical institutes and of the union of students of the pedagogical schools.

IAEA SHOULD GIVE GREATER AID TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

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[Text] Bucharest, 18 Oct, AGERPRES--Now that the tendency is internationally manifest to restrict and hamper the peaceful use of atomic energy, under cover of the pretended attention paid to limiting the nuclear weapon proliferation, the International Atomic Energy Agency--a recent Romanian documentary on the mentioned organization writes--should undergo the special task of facilitating the access of all states to the gains of nuclear science and technology, undiscriminatingly, by means of increased technical assistance to the states having no nuclear weapons, of deliveries of nuclear matter and equipment, and by sanctioning the free transfer of technology. To this purpose, the structure and programmes of the Vienna agency need further perfectioning, the agency should be continuously adapted to the needs of the contemporary world, efficient measures should be taken for the substantial increase of the support IAEA grants to its member-countries, particularly to the developing ones, with a view to accelerating the use of the isotopes and radiations in economic life.

The mentioned book, recently published in the "Contemporary Thinking" collection of the Bucharest political publishing house, also wisely presents Romania's constant activity within the agency.

A developing country herself and an IAEA original member-country, Romania--the book shows--is largely participating in the activities of the organization, starting from her principled stand on the need to attain disarmament and to use the nuclear energy for peaceful purposes alone. Romania was concerned with promoting concrete ideas meant to improve the activity of IAEA. She has initiated two resolutions that were adopted by the general conference of the organization: The proclamation of the year 1965 as a year of international cooperation in peaceful use of nuclear energy, and the training of cadres in the nuclear domain as well as collaboration between IAEA and other specialised UN bodies, on this purpose. Worth mentioning are also the Romanian initiatives at the 31st session of the IAEA general conference on singling out, convening and implementing a programme of measures and actions, so that the third decade since IAEA exists may become "the decade of the peaceful use of nuclear energy", as well as the initiative on elaborating and implementing a "code of equitable principles for international cooperation in the peaceful use of nuclear energy". These ideas were sanctioned by the 32nd session of the General Assembly--following the suggestion of some developing countries--becoming the resolution called "Peaceful Use of Nuclear Energy for Economic and Social Development". At the special session of the UN General Assembly on disarmament, Romania also suggested that under the IAEA aegis a concrete programme should be worked out for international cooperation and collaboration in the peaceful use of atomic energy.

The mentioned documentary also reviews the concrete actions taken by Romania in collaboration with IAEA. Being a country making the best efforts for leaving behind the stage of a developing country in the near future, thus becoming a medium sized country, Romania manifests in her relations with the Vienna organisation, in her double capacity: Receiver and granter of technical assistance.

The collection "Contemporary Thinking" of the Bucharest political publishing house has also published documentaries on the nonalined movement, on the Group of 77, on the International Court of Justice. The same collection prepares a similar book on the inter-governmental maritime consultative organisation.

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ROMANIAN-COSTA RICAN COMMISSION--Bucharest, 16 Oct, AGERPRES--The second session of the joint Romanian-Costa Rica commission concluded in Bucharest, on October 16. The session protocol envisages the further development of the commercial exchanges and of the industrial, technological and scientific cooperation in domains of common interest between Romania and Costa Rica. [Text] [Bucharest AGERPRES in English 1915 GMT 16 Oct 78 AU]

ROMANIAN-CUBAN UNDERSTANDING--Havana, 16 Oct, AGERPRES--A collaboration understanding for 1978-1980 was signed in Havana between the Romanian Writers' Union and the national union of writers and artists of Cuba. The document envisages interchange of delegations for documentation and mutual studying of experience in literary production, the mutual translation and publication of works from the literatures of the two countries. [Text] [Bucharest AGERPRES in English 1855 GMT 16 Oct 78 AU]

SPANISH LABOR PARTY DELEGATION--RCP Secretary Iosif Banc received a delegation of the Spanish Labor Party led by Manuel Armenta Espejo, member of the Party's Executive Committee and secretary of the party's Central Committee, on 11 October in Bucharest. [Bucharest SCINTEIA in Romanian 12 Oct 78 p 5 AU]

BANC RECEIVES MPRP DELEGATION--RCP Secretary Iosif Banc received a delegation of MPRP aktivists led by (Tserenghiin Gurbadan), member of the MPRP Central Committee and chief of the MPRP Central Committee industry department, on 12 October in Bucharest. [Bucharest SCINTEIA in Romanian 13 Oct 78 p 5 AU]

CHINESE MINISTER HOLDS TALKS IN BOSNIA-HERCEGOVINA

LD190858Y Belgrade TANJUG Domestic Service in Serbo-Croatian 1519 GMT 18 Oct 78 LD

[Text] Sarajevo--Milanko Renovica, president of the Executive Council of the Assembly of the Socialist Republic of Bosnia-Hercegovina, today received a PRC delegation headed by Chou Tzu-chien, first minister of machine building.

During their talks, they exchanged views on the possibilities for the further development and promotion of economic and other forms of cooperation between the Socialist Republic of Bosnia-Hercegovina and the PRC within the framework of existing Yugoslav-Chinese cooperation. Apart from noting that economic relations between the two countries were following a constant upward trend, they are reported to have stressed the existence of real conditions for expanding all-round cooperation and for establishing and developing, in addition to commodity trade, other forms of cooperation, such as scientific-technical cooperation and specialization primarily in the field of machinery and chemical industries, nuclear energy, agro-industry and other economic areas. During the day, the delegation also visited the Famos, Unis and Energoinvest enterprises.

BRANISLAV IKONIC RECEIVES PRC SPORTS MINISTER

AU181411Y Belgrade BORBA in Serbo-Croatian 17 Oct 78 p 4 AU

[Text] Belgrade--Branislav Ikonic, vice president of the Federal Executive Council, yesterday received Wang Meng, chairman of the PRC State Committee for Sports and Physical Culture and minister in charge of physical culture and sports commission, who is leading a delegation of the state committee for sports and physical culture on a visit to our country.

The reception was attended by Trpe Jakovlevski, president of the Federation of Organizations for Physical Culture of Yugoslavia, and Chou Chiu-yen, PRC ambassador to the SFRY.

CAPE VERDE PRESIDENT DEPARTS AFTER OFFICIAL VISIT

AU180950Y Belgrade BORBA in Serbo-Croatian 14 Oct 78 p 1 AU

[TANJUG report]

[Text] Aristides Maria Pereira, president of the Republic of Cape Verde and general secretary of the African Party for Independence of Guinea and Cape Verde (PAIGO), his wife and associates left Yugoslavia yesterday. President Pereira was on an official and friendly visit to our country at the invitation of President of the Republic Josip Broz Tito.

At Belgrade Airport, President Pereira and other prominent guests from the friendly nonaligned Republic of Cape Verde were seen off by Dobrivoje Vidic, president of the Presidency of the Socialist Republic of Serbia, and hiw wife; Sinan Hasani, vice president of the SFRY Assembly, and his wife; Aleksandar Bakocevic, member of the Secretariat of the SAWPY Federal Conference Presidium; Slavko Kuhar, general secretary of the SFRY Presidency; Radoje Stefanovic, vice president of the Executive Council of the Assembly of the Socialist Republic of Serbia; Branko Radivojevic, vice president of the Belgrade City Assembly; Lt Gen Dusan Baic; Dusan Markinkovic, chief of department in the Federal Secretariat for Foreign Affairs; and other personalities.

Just before they entered his special plane, President Pereira and his wife were presented with bouquets of fresh flowers by Zorana Popovic and Vlado Borozan, pupils of the Drinka Palovic primary school.

TITO RECEIVES TRADE UNION FEDERATION LEADER SPILJAK

LD181514Y Belgrade TANJUG Domestic Service in Serbo-Croatian 1249 GMT 18 Oct 78 LD

[Text] Hercegnovi--President of the Republic Josip Broz Tito today received Mika Spiljak, president of the Council of the Federation of Trade Unions of Yugoslavia, who informed him of the current activities of the trade unions in the republics and provinces and of the preparations for the Eighth Congress of the Federation of Trade Unions of Yugoslavia, which is to be held in Belgrade from 21 to 23 November.

DOLANC VISITS RADOJE WORKS IN TITOGRAD

LD181944Y Belgrade TANJUG Domestic Service in Serbo-Croatian 1235 GMT 18 Oct 78 LD

[Excerpts] Titograd--Stane Dolanc, secretary of the LCY Central Committee Presidium, today visited the Radoje Dakic building machinery and equipment work in Titograd. He was accompanied by Vojislav Srzentic, president of the Montenegro League of Communists Central Committee; Vojo Raicevic, president of the Titograd League of Communists Municipal Committee; and Slobodan Filipovic, president of the Titograd Municipal Assembly. During his inspection of the production halls and the insuing talks, Stane Dolanc was briefed by representatives of this major building machinery works about their work, their results and existing problems.

The secretary of the LCY Central Committee Presidium displayed particular interest in the work conditions in this major work collective, the implementation of the provisions of the law on associated labor and the living and working conditions of the actual producers. He stressed, among other things, that the working man, in order to be able to develop self-management more successfully, must develop himself, but that he often had neither sufficient time or the necessary conditions in which to do so. We often concern ourselves with high-level politics, Dolanc said, while there are very few organizations involved in concrete activities aimed at improving the basic living conditions of the working people. Because of this, a considerable number of workers remain apart from the actions set in motion by the subjective forces of our society under the leadership of the League of Communists.

Dolanc stressed in this connection that apartments were one of the basic prerequisites for creating better living conditions for the working people. However, Dolanc said, in our efforts there seem to be two fronts present--one consisting of workers ready to invest funds in housing and the other consisting of town planners and municipal organs which slow down housing by planning towns 100 years in advance.

NEW LAO AMBASSADOR PRESENTS CREDENTIALS TO HODZA

AU172270Y Belgrade BORBA in Serbo-Croatian 14 Oct 78 p 4 AU

[Text] Belgrade--Fadil Hodza, vice president of the SFRY Presidency, yesterday received Sot Phetrlasy, newly appointed ambassador of the Lao People's Democratic Republic, who presented his credentials. Ambassador Phetrslasy conveyed cordial greetings and best wishes to President Tito and the Yugoslav peoples from Souphanouvong, president of the Lao People's Democratic Republic.

Phetrasy said that he has been accorded the great honor of representing the Lao People's Democratic Republic in Yugoslavia, among Yugoslavia's heroic and working people toward whom the people of Laos have nurtured deep feelings of friendship for a long time, feelings which have a historical basis that is very solid because it is built on proletarian internationalism, mutual esteem and respect, mutual assistance and mutual interests.

Vice President Fadil Hodza thanked the ambassador for the greetings and, in return, conveyed the greetings and best wishes of President Tito to President Souphanouvong and the friendly people of Laos. Fadil Hodza said that both countries sincerely aspire to and are in favor of giving our bilateral cooperation a definite substance, quality and prospects for future development and that there are real possibilities in this sphere, especially in the economic and scientific-technical fields.

Speaking about cooperation on a wider international level, Fadil Hodza said that, as nonalined countries, Yugoslavia and Laos are making, each in its own way and within its own possibilities, a useful contribution to general efforts for the advancement and democratization of international relations, for peace and progress in the world, seeing in this, among other things, the only real prospects for their own development and the prosperity of their peoples.

Vice President Hodza stated that we in Yugoslavia are seriously concerned over the present unfavorable state of affairs and development of the situation in the region of Southeast Asia. "We are deeply convinced that a consistent implementation of the principles of nonalinement in relations between the countries of this region, that is, respect for independence and territorial integrity, noninterference in internal affairs and the right of all countries in this part of the world to their freedom, independent development and orientation, represents the only way to overcome the present situation and insure peace, security and the conditions for an unhindered and free development of all countries of this region. We follow with interest and attention," Hodza pointed out, "the efforts of friendly Laos in the struggle for quicker development and comprehensive progress, for a stabilization of the situation in the region, for peace and security of all countries and peoples of this region and we sincerely rejoice over its every success in this field."

The formal presentation of credentials and the talks were attended by Milorad Pesic, deputy federal secretary for foreign affairs; Lazar Maksim, chief of the cabinet of the vice president of the SFRY Presidency; Marko Drobac, adviser to the Presidency, and the diplomatic personnel of the Embassy of the Lao People's Democratic Republic.

SENIOR RED CROSS OFFICIAL MEETS WITH DJURANOVIC, VRHOVEC

Djuranovic Receives Red Cross Official

LD181044Y Belgrade TANJUG Domestic Service in Serbo-Croatian 1830 GMT 17 Oct 78 LD

[Text] Belgrade--Veselin Djuranovic, president of the Federal Executive Council, today received Alexandre Hay, president of the International Committee of the Red Cross. During their talks, in which Bozidar Raspopovic, president of the Red Cross of Yugoslavia, also participated, the subjects discussed were the hitherto successful cooperation between the Red Cross of Yugoslavia and the International Committee of the Red Cross and the activities of the Red Cross throughout the world in offering humanitarian aid.

## Vrhovec, Hay Discuss Cooperation

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[Text] Belgrade--Josip Vrhovec, federal secretary for foreign affairs, this morning received Alexandre Hay, president of the International Committee of the Red Cross, and had cordial talks with him. They discussed cooperation between Yugoslavia and the International Committee of the Red Cross as well as other issues of mutual interest.

Dr Bosidar Raspopovic, president of the assembly of the Red Cross of Yugoslavia, was also present.

## BILL ON FEDERATION'S EXPENDITURES SUBMITTED TO SFRY ASSEMBLY

AU181858Y Belgrade BORBA in Serbo-Croatian 17 Oct 78 p 6 AU

[TANJUG report]

[Summary] According to a draft law on overall federation budget expenditures for 1979 submitted to the SFRY Assembly yesterday, the overall budget expenditures of the federation next year will total some 99.27 billion dinars, or 3 billion more than that provided by the basis for the federation budget, which totals 96 billion dinars.. However, opportunities to change the budget expenditures in the assembly debate are rather small because 93 percent of all expenditures have already been determined by laws which have been adopted by the SFRY Assembly.

The funds required to partially cover expenditures of the federation budget in 1979 will be secured from direct revenues of the federation--customs duties and a portion of the turnover tax--totaling nearly 59 billion dinars--while the remaining 40.3 billion dinars will be provided by the republics and provinces through their contributions, totaling 30.8 billion dinars, and by the National Bank of Yugoslavia, which will contribute 9.5 billion dinars.

The basic planning document for 1979--the resolution on implementing Yugoslavia's social plan in 1979--has not yet been adopted and this has created difficulties in drawing up a draft federation budget for next year. "In determining the size of the federation budget, the Federal Executive Council has strived to consistently implement the new law on financing the federation. It is especially necessary to stress the efforts to coordinate the federation's budgetary expenditures with the adopted policy on increasing general and common expenditures, according to which the federation's budgetary expenditures should increase at a slower rate than the nominal increase in the national income, except for those commitments of the federation which are exempt from this principle by the social plan and federal laws."

## CHANGES IN CROATIAN ADMINISTRATION OUTLINED

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[Excerpts] Zagreb--If the Assembly of the Socialist Republic of Croatia agrees with the already prepared law on the subject, the composition of the republican administration in Croatia will be fundamentally altered. Out of the current total of 13, only 4 republican secretariats will remain--for national defense, internal affairs, justice and administration and finance. All the remaining--including certain institutes and administrations--will be absorbed into 1 of the 14 committees, or more or less under the direct jurisdiction of associated labor.

This means that the direction and responsibility for the situation in certain spheres will pass to a wide circle of people who are directly concerned, which means, in simple terms, that instead of a "powerful" head of some secretariat making the vital decisions, decisionmaking will be conducted in a spirit of partnership, fully respecting the ideas of all members of the committee.

In Croatia, there will be committees for energy and industry, for shipping and traffic, for the market and prices, for tourism, for agriculture, for water supply, for housing and communal activity, for science and information activity, for health and social protection and for veterans and invalids, as well as those which relate to employment. Two committees--one for economic relations, the other for general political relations--will work with foreign countries.

TANJUG EXPECTS WARSAW PACT SUMMIT TO DISCUSS SALT II

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[Text] Moscow, 18 Oct, TANJUG--In unofficial circles in Moscow, a possibility of the regular session of the Warsaw Treaty political consultative committee being held soon is being indicated. As a rule, party and government leaders participate in the work of the committee.

During these meetings which usually take place every two years, party and government heads discuss important international questions and cooperation among treaty members.

The last Warsaw Treaty summit was held late in November in 1976 in Bucharest. Suppositions are that preparations for the meeting are underway and that it is possible that it will be held next month, probably in Moscow.

It is believed that the detente and problems blocking its progress will be on the agenda of the forthcoming summit.

In terms of new important prospects, the Soviet-U.S. agreement on limiting strategic armament ("SALT II") is to be discussed, although optimism is not very great here (?on) an accord being reached soon.

REPATRIATION OF MACEDONIANS FROM EAST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES INCREASING

AU181304Y Belgrade NIN in Serbo-Croatian No 1449 15 Oct 78 p 8 AU

[From the "Periscope" column: "Return of the Macedonians"]

[Text] The repatriation of Macedonians from East European countries is increasing in speed and numbers. The repatriation is conducted by the Council for Emigree Problems of the Macedonian Executive Council, which from 1950 until the present day received and accommodated about 11,350 Macedonian families which included over 39,000 persons. This year, it is envisaged that 110 more Macedonian families will return from East European countries.

The Council for Emigree Problems provides the repatriates with apartments, gives some financial aid until family members obtain employment and works to find employment for the returnees. In determining the permanent residence of the repatriated familiy, the guiding principle is to reunite families that have been divided. The place of residence may also be determined by the occupation of the repatriates. [paragraph continues]

Thus, repatriates whose occupations are linked with the textile industry are settled in Tetovo, but the most frequent areas of resettlement are Skopje, Gostivar, Kicevo, Struga and Debar.

The Macedonian Executive Council on several occasions insisted that the necessary material and other conditions be created for an accelerated reception of the Macedonian families from East European countries who are requesting repatriation. Recently, applications for repatriation have been submitted by Macedonians whose fathers and grandfathers left Macedonia several decades ago for work abroad.

The greatest number of Macedonian families have been repatriated from the Soviet Union, Poland, the CSSR, Romania and the People's Republic of Bulgaria. The largest number of Macedonians expected in the coming period are being repatriated from the Soviet Union and the CSSR.

BRIEFS

CHARGE D'AFFAIRES TO LUXEMBOURG--Gaston Thorn, premier and minister of foreign affairs of Luxembourg, has expressed his thanks to Svetislav Stefanovic, outgoing charge d'affaires of the Yugoslav Embassy in Luxembourg. Slavoljub Petrovic, SRFY ambassador to Luxembourg and Belgium, on that occasion presented Martin Gabricevic as the new Yugoslav charge d'affaires in Luxembourg. [Belgrade BORBA in Serbo-Croatian 6 Oct 78 p 4 AU]

RADIO YUGOSLAVIA EQUIPMENT--Radio Yugoslavia, which was established in February this year, has invited international bids for the delivery of equipment for a short-wave transmission center, consisting of a 500-kilowatt transmitter and an appropriate antenna system. The bids have to be submitted by 15 December. The construction of the transmission center is expected to begin next year. [Belgrade BORBA in Serbo-Croatian 6 Oct 78 p 8 AU]

NEW TUNISIAN AMBASSADOR--Fadil Hodza, vice president of the SRFY Presidency, yesterday received Zouhir Chelli, newly appointed ambassador of the Republic of Tunisia to Yugoslavia, who presented his credentials. [Belgrade BORBA in Serbo-Croatian 7 Oct 78 p 4 AU]

BULGARIAN AMBASSADOR RECEIVED--Milan Vukasovic, member of the Federal Executive Council, yesterday received Rayko Nikolov, ambassasor of the People's Republic of Bulgaria to the SFRY, and discussed with him economic cooperation between the two neighboring countries. It was mutually concluded that the current commodity trade is lagging behind the needs and possibilities of the two economies and a desire to improve this situation was emphasized. [Text] [Belgrade BORBA in Serbo-Croatian 12 Oct 78 p 4 AU]

SERBIAN TERRITORIAL DEFENSE--Dobrivoje Vidic, president of the Presidency of Serbia; Tihomir Vlaskalic, president of the Central Committee of the League of Communists of Serbia; and other leaders visited the headquarters of Serbia's territorial defense, where Col-Gen Rajko Tanaskovic and his associates informed them of the state and some problems of the territorial defense. The republican leaders positively assessed the situation in this field and expressed full support for the efforts of the headquarters to implement the future tasks. [Text] [Belgrade Domestic Service in Serbo-Croatian 1400 GMT 12 Oct 78 AU]

SERBIAN SAWP CANDIDATES--The Presidium of the Serbian republican SAWP conference has confirmed Dragomir Milojevic, now member of the Central Committee Presidium of the League of Communists of Serbia, as candidate for president and Sandor Dobo, Salih Nusi, Filip Matic and Zika Radojlovic as candidates for vice presidents of the Serbian republican SAWP conference in the coming period. Dragutin Maksimovic was confirmed as candidate for secretary of the conference and Nadezda Kovacevic was confirmed as candidate for president of the conference for social activity of women. [Belgrade Domestic Service in Serbo-Croatian 1400 GMT 13 Oct 78 AU]